

# BEFORE THE ENERGY RESOURCES CONSERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA 1516 NINTH STREET, SACRAMENTO, CA 95814 1-800-822-6228 – www.energy.ca.gov

APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATION FOR THE LODI ENERGY CENTER
NORTHERN CALIFORNIA POWER AGENCY

DOCKET No. 08-AFC-10

#### **NOTICE OF STATUS CONFERENCE**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE** that the Committee designated by the Energy Commission to conduct proceedings on the Application for Certification for the **LODI ENERGY CENTER** (*LEC*) has scheduled a Status Conference as follows:

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 19, 2009 Beginning at 10:00 a.m.

California Energy Commission Hearing Room B 1516 Ninth Street Sacramento, CA 95814

#### **Background**

On September 10, 2008, the Northern California Power Agency submitted an Application for Certification (AFC) to the California Energy Commission to construct and operate an electrical generating plant in the City of Lodi, San Joaquin County, California. The Lodi Energy Center would be a natural gas-fired, combined-cycle nominal 255 megawatt (MW) power generation facility. The proposed project would be located on 4.4 acres of land owned and incorporated by the City of Lodi, 6 miles west of the Lodi city center, near Interstate 5 approximately 1.7 miles south of State Route 12. The proposed project is approximately 2 miles north of the city of Stockton. The project site is currently undeveloped and used for equipment storage.

On September 30, 2009, Northern California Power Agency (NCPA) filed its *Lodi Energy Center Motion for Scheduling Order to Compel Staff to Publish Its Preliminary Staff Assessment* (Motion). On October 28, 2009 the Committee denied the motion. Specifically, the Order stated:

"The Motion seeks an Order compelling Staff to file its Preliminary Staff Assessment on or before October 8, 2009. The Energy Commission staff did not oppose the Motion but indicated in an e-mail, dated October 14, 2009, that the Preliminary Staff Assessment will be published before November 1, 2009. Since NCPA's Motion is now moot, the Motion is denied without prejudice, and NCPA may bring another Motion should Staff fail to publish the Preliminary Staff Assessment within a reasonable timeframe."

On November 4, 2009, Applicant filed a motion to set a status conference because Staff had failed to publish its PSA.

### **Purpose of the Status Conference**

This Status Conference was calendared at the request of the Applicant; NCPA, to obtain a new Scheduling Order that ensures the LEC AFC can be processed in time to meet its construction schedule.

Currently, the Committee Scheduling Order of January 22, 2009, has lapsed with scheduled events lagging approximately six to seven months behind their originally scheduled due date. To assist the Committee and participants in understanding the process, Applicant and Staff shall file a proposed schedule for the remainder of the siting process on or before November 15, 2009.

At the Status Conference, parties should be prepared to inform and advise the Committee on how the project's current status may affect their proposed schedule for review of the AFC application.

## **Public Adviser and Public Participation**

The Energy Commission's Public Adviser, will assist any person or organization interested in participating. For assistance in this process, contact the Public Adviser's Office at 916-654-4489 or 800-822-6228 or email: [publicadviser@energy.state.ca.us].

If you have a disability and need assistance to participate in this event, contact Lourdes Quiroz well in advance of the hearing at 916-654-5146 or e-mail: [lquiroz@energy.state.ca.us].

#### Information

Questions of a legal or procedural nature should be directed to Kenneth Celli, the Hearing Officer, at (916) 651-8893, or e-mail: [kcelli@energy.state.ca.us].

Technical questions concerning the project should be addressed to Rod Jones, Staff Project Manager, at (916) 654-5191, or e-mail: [rjones@energy.state.ca.us].

Media inquiries should be directed to the Office of Media and Public Communications at (916) 654-4989 or e-mail: [mediaoffice@energy.state.ca.us].

Information concerning the status of the project, as well as notices and other relevant documents pertaining to this proceeding, may be viewed on the Energy Commission's Internet web page at: [http://www.energy.ca.gov/sitingcases/lodi].

Dated: November 9, 2009, at Sacramento, California.

KAREN DOUGLAS

Chairman and Presiding Member Lodi Energy Center AFC Committee